WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1910.

BEST CHRISTMAS TALES BY WORLD'S LEADING AUTHORS

It was Gen. Lew Wallace who, in the most reverent spirit and with advantages of knowledge as to Eastern manners and customs rivaling those of the artist Tissot, reconstituted the scenes that attended the birth of the Saviour, in his famous story, "Ben Hur." After recounting the difficulties which Joseph and Mary and their companions, the family of the Beth-Dagonite, experienced until they reached the khan, he pro-

The Nazarene went back joyfully to Mary and the Beth-Dagonite. In a little while the latter brought up his family, the women mounted on donkeys. The wife was matronly, the daughters were images of what she must have been in youth; and, as they drew nigh the door, the people knew them to be of the humble class.

"This is she of whom I spoke," said the Nazarene, "and these are our

Mary's veil was raised. "Blue eyes and hair of gold," muttered

the steward to himself, seeing but her. "So looked the young king when he statisticians begin to figure out its He took the leading strap from Joseph and said to Mary, "Peace to you, O daughter of David" Then to the others, total of deaths that have marked its 'Peace to you all." Then to Joseph, course, among those more noteworthy

"We are going to the cave." said The guide lingered till Mary came to his ord of such events knows that 150 deaths (of those properly to be held "notable")

"The cave to which we are going," he said to her, "must have been a resort of your ancestor David. From the field below us, and from the well down in the valley, he used to drive his flocks to it chronicle 249 such, surely a thinning of for safety, and afterward, when he was the ranks of the world's workers, bringking, he came back to the old house here ing serious realization of loss of susfor rest and health, bringing great trains tained as well as strengthening memories The mangers yet remain as of lives lived nobly. they were in his day. Better a bed upon the courtyard, or out by the roadside. appeal to every interest, touching at the courtyard, or out by the roadside. Appeal to every interest, touching at the William Holman Hunt; died September,

This speech must not be taken as an world, representing so much that the for the lodging. There was no pessimist might find depression in its need of apology. The place was the best then at disposal. The guests were simple folks, by habits of life easily satisfied. To the Jew of that period, moreover, abode in caverns was a familiar idea, and long, these were they who had done by everyday occurrences, and good work, and done it well. by what he heard of Sabbaths in the synagogues. How much of Jewish history, how many of the most exciting incidents in that history, had transpired in caves! Yet, further, these people were Jews of Bethlehem, with whom the idea locality abounded with caves great and places from the time of the Emin and No more was there offense to interesting to them. While the wooden creative artist, as two separate entities.

that the house was but a mask or covergrotto, probably forty feet long, nine or most illustrious, as she was the best beten high, and twelve or fifteen in width. loved, of Englishwomen. The story of lives of Lieut. Boyd Alexander, the Engof grain and fodder and earthenware and countrymen,-St. Leo Strachey, household property, occupying the center of the chamber. Along the sides were eighty-seven,—His work as litterateur mangers, low enough for sheep, and built would have brought him lasting fame of stones laid in cement. There were no stalls or partitions of any kind. Dust and bold it as of a greater glory to his memchaff yellowed the floor, filled all the ory that the mere mention of his name crevices and hollows, and thickened the has long been, and will long continue to spider webs, which dropped from the ceil- be, both an inspiration and an example,ing like bits of dirty linen; otherwise the London Times. place was clean, and, to appearance, as John Le Farge; died November, aetat comfortable as any of the arched lewens seventy-five.—For a generation he has of the khan proper. In fact, a cave was been the most salient artistic personality the model and first suggestion of the in America. In culture no artist since

the Renaissance has surpassed him. His "Come in!" said the guide. "These piles books carried where his finely modulated upon the floor are for travelers like voice could not reach, and had he paintyourselves. Take what of them you ed nothing, had he never made his beautiful inventions in stained glass, he would still be remembered as an esthete and a

Then he spoke to Mary. "Can you rest here?"

The place is sanctified," she an-"Where is the mother?" asked the world expected was to prove his most

One of the women took the baby, and all pioneers may blunder, and yet one went to Mary, lying near, and put it in her arms. Then the bystanders collected and Wesalius.—British Medical Journal.

"It is the Christ," said a shepherd, at

"The Christ!" they all repeated, falling cate for over half a century of all great upon their knees in worship. One of them causes in the elevation of human liberty, repeated several times over, "It is the and the sincere friend of all that makes Lord and His glory is above the earth for the elevation and enrichment of wo-

manhood. Her "Battle Hymn" quickened in the nation the imperishable faith And the simple men, never doubting, kissed the hem of the mother's robe, and in the final triumph of God's right .- L. with joyful faces departed. In the khan, to all the people aroused and pressing about them, they told their story.

Thackerny and the Tree. There is, about the Christmas tree as Thackeray pictures it in the "Roundabout

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CHRISTMAS DAY.

As I was going to Bethlehem-town, Upon the earth I east me down All underneath a little tree

I not a shepherd coming down,
And thus he quoth: "A wondrous sight
Hath spread before mine eyes this night—
An angel host mest fair to see,
That sung full sweetly of a tree
That shall uplift on Cahrary
What buttern excellence and men' What burthen seveth you and me!"

And as I gat to Bethlehem-town Lo! wise men came that bore a crown,
"Is there," cried I, "in Bethlehem
A King shall wear this diadem?" "Good sooth," they quoth, "and it is He That shall be lifted on the tree And freely shed on Calvary What blood redecmeth us and thee!"

Unto a Child in Rethlehem-town The wise men came and brought the crown;
And while the infant smiling slept,
Upon their knees they fell and wept;
But, with her babe upon her knee,
Naught recked that Mother of the tree, That should uplift on Calvary

Again I walk in Bethlehem-town And think on Him that wears the crown, I may not kiss His feet again, Nor worship Him as I did then; My King hath died upon the tree, And hath outprouved on Cales. And hath outpoured on Calvary What blood redeemeth you and me!

THE DYING YEAR SEES THE PASSING OF MANY OF OUR NOTABLE MEN AND WOMEN



COUNT LEO TOLSTOI.

By W. JAMES PRICE.
As 1910 draws to a close, and the

profits and losses, one fact stands forth,

ones who have most contributed to its

manifold labors. One who has kept rec-

It is a list, in its entirety, making some

in us all, recall that, taken in the broad

To single out from these now enrolled

fered by the following, "giants all:

Bjornstjerne Bjornson; died April, aetat

moralist.-Paul Elmer More.

Robert Koch, bacteriologist; died March

lover of letters and learning, the advo-

scorned to do injustice to the wealthy.

yet he steadfastly strove to bring about

conditions which should be in the inter-

Science; died December, aetat ninety.— The emphasis Mrs. Eddy put upon the

material aspect of God originally startled

most Americans. But it was only recall-

ing them to points of view conspicuous

in Oriental faiths from the beginning of

time. When cures were wrought, there

followed among her adherents a sort of

passionate loyalty, not always discern-

fble in the older religious bodies to-day;

and the movement has gone steadily against covert and open attack on both

its founder and its principles.-Boston

Samuel Langhorn Clemens, humorist

and litterateur; died April, actat sev-

I see a boy who hugs a well-thumbed book.

Wherein are he companions of his heart-This is his m nument; one would not lock For any preser homage born of art.

ar; died Ar sust, aetat sixty-eight.—There can be small question but that he was

Ji mes, philosopher and schol-

-W. D. Nesbit.

ant.-Theodore Roosevelt.

Herald.

enty-four.

best,-W. D. Howells.



MRS. JULIA WARD HOWE.





KING EDWARD.



MRS. MARY B. EDDY

MARK TWAIN

ome cases to pay proper regard to offi-

ROYALTY AND NOBILITY-17.

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bley of New York, J. E. Van Cleave of St. Louis, and Thomas Walsh of Washington.

ARMY AND NAVY-16.

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BENCH AND BAR-5.

THE CHURCH-14.

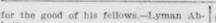
Cardinal Francis Satolli, Cardinal Sammaitelli, Bishop Dowden of Edinburgh, Bishop Foss of Philadelphia, Bishop King of Lincoln, England;

EDUCATION-8.

sylvania; L. A. Rhodes, Ohio State Univers William G. Sumpner, Yale,



FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.



CHARLES H. TREAT.

some point every activity throughout the actat eighty-three.—The calling of the painter was to him a high and exalted mission; he shared Watts' repudiation of ment had equaled his sincerity and strength of character, he would have been painters; as it is, he remains the noblest iam Michael Rosetti.

"with the mighty dead" a few names as standing most strikingly for great work well done is to challenge instant criti-cism in behalf of some not so included, Deaths Through Disaster. The entries on the 1910 necrology made but braving this, what a splendid list, judged by highest achievement, is of dren alike. So they obeyed the keeper cheerfully, and gazed at the house, feeling only a natural curiosity. Everything associated with the history of David was interesting to them. While the wooden bolt of the lock was being pushed back, Who attempts to divorce art and life a total toll of twenty-eight lives in bethe women were assisted from their pil- makes a grave error. He was a great ing brought to their present state of delions. Upon the opening of the door, the and good man; perhaps the greatest and velopment, all but eight of these disasters occurring in the present twelve-month. The deaths of C. S. Rolls, just Florence Nightingale; died August, The guests entered, and stared about actat ninety. - Courage, single-minded- after the young man had successfully It became apparent immediately ness, and a capacity for organization and flown across the channel and back, and command unequaled among her sex set of the Peruvian, Chavez, after he had so ing for the mouth of a natural cave or her on a plane of her own. She was the splendidly surmounted the Alps them

selves, were especially tragic happenings. mortal memory in the affections of her lish explorer, killed by the Tama natives in late April; and of the French Gen 1 Beylie, drowned while on an archaelogical expedition. Alfred Nutt, the London scholar, who had won a well-nigh interin July, while Barrett Eastman, the American dramatic critic, took his own life in the opening days of the year. Were an average age to be figured out

this summary it would fall noticeably lower than has usually been the case, for your "man-bird" is seldom even in his forties, and several of those who have given their lives to "scientific sport" since last January were but little more than of legal age. Mr. Eastman and Lieut. Alexander were in their thirties, too, as was also Tom Browne, one of the cleverest black-and-white artists of the last of the control of the cleverest black-and-white artists of the control o for the good of his fellows.-Lyman Ab- this summary it would fall noticeably few, and but one who has hitherto acmere reading did not the optimist, who mere reading did not the optimist, who the doctrine, "art for art's stake," and since last January were but little more died in exhe long before yesterday saw a forever close-shoulders his darker fellow devoted his anstere talent to the service than of legal age. Mr. Eastman and than of legal age in their thirties. of Christanity. If his technical equip- Lieut. Alexander were in their thirties, strength of character, he would have been cleverest black-and-white artists of the and Maris, the charming landscapist of painters; as it is he remains the poblect day, whose pencil fell from his fingers in March. Prince Francis of Teck, brother gian sculptor; and Hovgaard, the Dane, to England's Queen Mary, whose death who had penetrated into the most out-

by violent death are quite four times the note here named were very young in usual number, owing to the fatalities years. The Princess Feedore of Schlestings of Germany's Reichstag; and Dr. Edward VII, King of Great Britain; which have accompanied the year's deded May, actat sixty-nine.—He reigned for nine years only, but he left a mark with the fall of Leon Delegrang at Borning slund" (Mrs. C. C. Waddell), the authora race of herdsmen, whose flocks habitually shared both their habitations and wanderings. In keeping with a custom derived from Abraham, the tent of the Bedawin yet shelters his horses and children alike. So they obeyed the keeper actat eighty-twe—Tourself of the noble Swiss who first set rolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed into the international Red Cross; and Cardinal Satolling the ball which developed i

and the following:

Aged 99 Nord Alexis, the picturesque negro ex-Agod 96 Galen Clark, discoverer of the Mariposa-

Aged 31-Sir Seymour Haden, the famous English etcher and illustrator.

etcher and illustrator.

Aged 90-Louisa de Rothschild, a "Lady Bountiful" to London's poor, Six Continents the Poorer.

Again, a half dozen of the women of Russian doumas; and Count Stolberg, who

all was Maud Darrell, dying at twenty-eight, and within the year of a happy contrary, but from quarters of the globe! marriage which had taken her out of the but little better known to us have come London music halls to preside in the dispatches telling of the passing of Azad-At the other extreme, in the matter of boy Shah; of Rakhim Bahadas, Khan of New York Supreme Court. who had already rounded pier No. 90, dent general in annexed Korea, and of Florence Nightingale and Mrs. Howe, Chulalongkorn, absolute ruler of quaint

Siam. South of us have died Pedro Montt. Aged 38—Johann Galle, the German astronomer.

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Aged 38—Johann Melstad, the historian-patriot eral Capital; President Obaldia, of little Panama, and that shrewd old statesman, Mariscal, who for a generation guided Aged 93.—Countess Amerigo, last direct descendant of Vespucius.

Aged 92.—Gen. S. G. French, Nestor of the officers of the "C, S, A,"

Aged 91.—Sir Sevment Haden, the famous English. less that ripe scholar, that sane and sagacious observer of men and events, that wise counselor upon the deeper problems of the day, Goldwin Smith.

Every nation under the wide expanse of "the big blue tent" has lost some of its ing, in the main, arranged alphabetically, lowe, Louis Klopsch, Gustav Moyuier, president from the statistics of the 249 named in noteworthy figures. To instance but a though an attempt has also been made in

CIVIL WAR HERO PUT TO DEATH FOR **AVENCING WOMAN**

The original manuscript of the following narrative is in the possession of a great-nephew of the man who wrote it in the year 1862, in one of the camps of the Federal army.

The real names of persons and of places have, however, been changed to fictitious ones, partly because they have no real bearing on the interest of the episode and partly on account of obvious personal considerations.

> Camp of the Federal Army At Jacksonville, Md.,

September 25, 1862, It is now 10 p. m., and I am to be shot at daybreak. I am tired and have not much time before me for writing. Yet I am going to set down here clearly, and so that no doubt may remain, what happened in my case, at the storming of Davidstown redoubt the day before yesterday, and how it was that I did what I did.

I write this to you, my nephew, and only near relative, so that you may read it when you grow up (for they have promised to let my lawyer have it). You will then know how your father died, and you will also know that nothing dishonorable attaches to my name-our

Edward VII of Great Britain, Chulalongkorn I of Siam, Azad-el-Mulk, Regent of Persia; Prince Francis of Teck, Princess Jeanne Bonaparte, Princess of Schleswig-Holstein, Prince Hazdeldt-Wildenburg, Victor, Prince d'Essling; the Duchess of Braganza, the Duke of Veragua, Duc de Talleyrand-Sagan, Countess Amerigo, Fifth Earl Spencer, Eighth Earl of Egmont, Second Earl of Lathorn, Sixth Baron Calthorpe, and Mohammed Rakhim Bahadas, Khan of Khiva, name-in spite of all. Should any one ever say anything to the contrary you may call him a liar for what I am about to say is true in every particular, I give my most solemn

The court has found me guilty, but that J. H. Converse of Philadelphia, T. T. Eckert of New York City, John Farson of Chicago, Pliny Fisk is mere circumstance-hideous circumstance; it is not my fault, and my con of Trenton, John S. Huyler of New York, George C. Lee of Boston, D. O. Mills of New York City, David Rankin of Tarkio, Mo.; Sir Chifton Robinson of London, Sir Walter Scott of Edinburgh, C. H. Freat, ex-United States Treasurer; H. McK. Twonscience is clear before God, my final

Firstly, though, I must tell you about your father. Long before the war broke out he and I had quarreled-about your dear mother. That is a different story Never mind that; it was another hard

be left for you when this hateful war is over), and there he married your mother,

Polittics and difference over), and there he married your mother, and ran the plantations of his own.

President Montt of Chili, President Obaldia of Panama, Nord Alexis, ex-President of Haiti, Vice President Albano of Chili, Boutros, premier of Egypt, J. G. Carlisle, ex-Secretary United States Treasury; ex-Foreign Minister Mariscal, Mexico; ex-Foreign Minister Lynden, Holland; United States Senator Clay of Georgia, United States Senator bolliver of Iowa, United States Senator McEnery of Louise-ana; ex-Senator T. C. Platt of New York, ex-Gov. Broward, Plorida; ex-Gov. Candler, Georgia; ex-Gov. D. B. Hill, New York; ex-Gov. Lowry, Mississippi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov, Werts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov. Werts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov. Merts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov. Werts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov. Werts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov. Werts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov. Mexts, New Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Mexter Sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley

sppi; ex-Gov. Stanley, Kansas; ex-Gov, Werts, New Jersey; Baron d'Anethan, Belgium; William F. Drappr, United States; Joaquim Nabuco, Brazil; Alexander Nelidoff, Russia; Count von Tattenbach, Your father I never saw again until the day before yesterday.

It is as much for the sake of her mem-ory as for any other reason that I am Germany; Franz von Juraschek, Austria; Burgomaster Lueger, Austria; Prince Iwaskure, Japanese imperial household; Viscount Sone, resident-general in the son, all that is left of her now on Kona; Count zu Stolberg-Weruigerede, Prussia; this earth; and so I write this in order Serge Muromouseff, ex-president the Douma. that you, dear boy, may never believe wrong of me. She never would have. Now, when the war broke out your Melville W. Puller. Chief Justice of the United father, of course, was bound to States; Associate Justice David J. Brewer, United States Supreme Court; Lloyd W. Bowers, United South, the Confederates. The place is in States Solicitor General; H. M. Hoyt, Chancellor of the South, and he was a "slave-owner;" South, the Confederates. The place is in Federal State Department; C. H. Truax, of the though you will know as well as any one

when you read this that our slaves are slaves in name only. I, however, had severed my connection with the South; I had no interest in it, no reason to fight for it, now that the property had passed from me, and now that your mother was no longer there.

Bishop McVictar of Providence, Bishop Spellmeyer of Chechemati, Dr. B. P. Rowne, Boston University; Rev. Francis Deut (Franciscan), Rev. Wayland Hoyt (Baptist), Rev. T. T. Munger (Congregation-"Learn to Hate War." On the contrary I had every reason to fight for the North; and I have done so, and fought as well as any man-with

dist), Rev. Annis Eastman (Congregationalist), Prof. W. A. Stevens of Rochester, Mrs. Mary Baker what a result! My boy, learn to hate war, and above

James Barr Ames of Harvard, G. F. Barker, University of Pennsylvania; William H. Brewer of Yale, A. M. Eliott of Johns Hopkins, J. B. Kieffer,

all, civil war; for that is when hell is lct loose upon earth. Thank God that your mother never lived to see this. As for myself, in one way I am not PHILANTHROPY AND REFORM-10. sorry that this has happened, though I wish with all my heart that I had died fighting the day before yesterday, for,

Red Cross; Florence Ninghingale, Robert Treat
Paine, Lady Louisa de Rothschild, Charles Sprague
Smith, Catherine Spence (Australia).

despite all my efforts, life has been a burden to me for years; in fact, ever since that which I first told you of. that which I first told you of. For your mother, when I dared think

are cating at your heart it is torture. william James, psychologist; Robert Koch, hacteriologist; Horamuzd Rassam, Assyriologist; D. P. Penhallow, botanist; T. C. Porter, engineer; G. Schiaparelli, astronomer; J. V. Shoemaker, physician; Rudolf Thiele, astronomer; C. A. White, property of the page of the property of the prop

Your father never let me know of her death-I heard it from a friend who had been down at Newtown that winter-and I resented that, too; he might have

to tell you the actual facts of our last meeting, but I had not then had time

to collect my thoughts properly, and now that I am writing I find it necessary to

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MacNanghton, Tal Talson Meistad, William Vaugun Moody, Jean Moreas ("Papadiamantopolis"), Dr. Alfred Nutt, M. O. Nutting ("Mary Parrett"), Sidney Porter ("O. Henry"), Wilhelm Raabe, Jules Renard, Edouard Rod, Dr. William J. Rolfe, John Scdwick, Prof, Goldwin Smith, William Gordon Stables, Mrs. Kathinka Sutro, Count Leo Toistoi, Albert Vandal, Eugene Melchior de Vogue, Albert Wandal, Eugene Melchior de V

Creston Clark, Clay Chement, Lottie Collins,
"Maud Darrell" Bullough, Lotta Faust, Amelia
Glover, George Holland, Louis James, Ezra Kendall,
But presently there comes an end to doubt— "Agnes The only way's by cutting Daisy out.

To be with Tom the very best of friends; Long motor rides and lonely moonlight wal Are interspersed with sentimental talks.

The lady's sparkling wit and repartee Make Thomas pretty quickly beed the knee, Quite calmly she allows him to propose, Then answers with the most distinct of "No'a."

Tom doesn't like it-he's distinctly burt

She tells bit why her pious web was spun,
And makin, him see that justice has been done.
Daisy is ved: Hurrah! That much is certain.
She marries some one else, and then—quick curtain,

THE LIFE STORY OF BARON VON STEUBEN'S AID AND SECRETARY

aetat sixty-seven.-In what the scientific (Written for The Sunday Washington Herald.) It was at the house of Mr. de Beaulasting claim to renown he blundered, as narchais, in Paris, that Baron von Steuben, whose monument was unveiled here the other day, met the American envoys, Julia Ward Howe; died October, aetat Benjamin Franklin and Silas Deane, and sixty-seven.-She was poet and patriot. it was there also that he became ac quainted with Pierre Stephen du Ponceau, then a young man of only seventeen years of age, whose services as an interpreter-for he spoke English fluent--were peculiarly valuable, Baron von Steuben being unacquainted with the English language. This acquaintance ripened into friendship, and when von Jonathan Prentiss Dolliver, statesman, Steuben sailed for America, du Ponceau dled October, actat fifty-two.—He was a accompanied him as his private secre-Republican of the school of Lincoln. He

The baron sailed for America on the French ship l'Heureux, commanded by Papers" under the particular title of ests of the plain people and make this Capt. Landais, who had served under the country an economical and industrial, no celebrated Bougainville in his voyage ess than a political, democracy. He was around the world. Her name was changed high-minded patriot and public servto less euphonious name of Le Flamand and she was ostensibly chartered by pri-Mary Baker Eddy, founder of Christian vate individuals for a voyage to island of Martinique. But really consisted of arms and munition of war for the American cause, and Capt. Landais had secret orders to ceed to the United States. The baron embarked at Marseilles on the 26th of September, 1777, under the assumed name of Mr. de Franck. His suite consisted of Mr. du Ponceau and four French offiers, de l'Enfant, de Romanai, des Epinieres, and de Pontiere.

arriving in the United States he asked of the Continental Congress com issions for these gentlemen, namely that of major for Mr. de Romania, that of captain in the Engineer Corps for Mr. de l'Enfant, that of captain of cavalry for Mr. de Pontiere, and that of captain of infantry and aid-de-camp for his secretary, Mr. du Ponceau. This Pierre S. du Ponceau was born at

St. Martin, island of Rhe, on the western coast of France, on the 3d of June, exists sion was such that he reached and ing in his native town, he learned Engeighty-four.—It may be doubted if any equally great fortune was before accumulated in ways so absolutely above criticism. No breath of suspicion ever lish language was of great wested. criticism. No breath of suspicion ever lish language was of great use to him.



BARON VON STEUBEN. Baron von Steuben in the New Jersey and Pennsylvania campaigns and also in lations of a captain and aid-de-camp.

In the winter of 1779-1780, when Baron Mr. du Ponceau died at Philadelphia on

von Steuben was sent to Philadelphia the 1st of April, 1844, not quite eightyrested upon his dollars, and he used them In America Mr. du Ponceau served with again to urge Congress to adopt more four years of age.

dent Jefferson offered him the appointment of chief justice of the territory, but he declined. He was president of the American Philosophical Society. In addition to original legal treatises and trans French and German legal

Booth" Schoeffel, "Dan Sully" (Daniel Sullivan),

fall of 1780, von Steuben was passing through Philadelphia on his way to the army in the South, du Ponceau asked his permission again to join his staff, and he shared for more than six months all the privations and emergencies of von Steuben; but in June, 1781, he became again dangerously ill, and not being able to bear the arduous fatigues of the campaign he was compelled to return to Philadelphia.

In a letter to von Steuben, dated Philating through the state of the passing sculptor; Tom Browne, English sculptor; W. Holman-Hunt, English painter; Winslow Homer, American painter; W. Holman-Hunt, English sculptor; John Mc-Page, American artist; R. W. Macbeth, English sculptor; John Mc-Page, American artist; R. W. Macbeth, English sculptor; S. M. Wow, American painter; William Mc-Page, American artist; R. W. Macbeth, English sculptor; S. M. Work, American painter; William Mc-Page, American artist; R. W. Macbeth, English sculptor; S. M. Work, American painter; William Mc-Page, American painter; Winslow Homer, American painter; W. Holman-Hunt, English sculptor; Den American painter; L. G. Mead, American painter; Brow a casual friend. So, instead of a possible reconciliation, a thing from a c

at Philadelphia and began the practice of law, attaining high rank as an advo After the purchase of Louisiana, Presi-

and was compelled to go into the country for his recovery. But when, in the fall of 1780, von Steuben was passing J. A. Acton, English sculptor; Tom Browne, Eng-ish illustrator; Sir F. S. Haden, English etcher;

In a letter to von Steuben dated Philadelphia, October 2, 1782, du Ponceau says: Otto Julius Eierbaum, Bjornstjerne Bjornson, Louis Broussenard, Prof. A. J. Butler, Mrs. F. Boyd Cal-houn, S. L. Clemens ("Mark Twain"), Rebecca Harding Davis, Leopold Delisle, "Louise Forsslund" Waddell, Dr. F. J. Furnivall, Mrs. Susan Hale, James Hanay, Maj. Martin Hume, "Myra Kelly" MacNanghton, Tal Talson Melstad, William Vaughn Moody, Jan Moreas ("Paradiamautopolis"), Dr. There was never such a scarcity of political of There was never such a scarcity of political or other matters as at present, which must account for my having been lately so bad a correspondent. When anything particular occurs that may be worth your knowledge you may be sure that I shall not fail to inform you at once. I am very sorry that your things cafnot be sent up to you immediately. I would have taken this affair upon me, but not having received any money from Congress these four months I am left altogether penniless. Dr. Pontiere tells me that I have got at least money enough to months I am left altogether penniless. Dr. Pontiere tells me that I have got at least money enough to buy him a cue-ribbon, but I can assure him with great truth that I have not got enough to buy one for myself, though I want one excessively.

There is such a scarcity of news that even the newspapers contain nothing. The printers have been obliged to write against each other to fill up their gazettes, which, you know, is the last finesse to which they usually have recourse. If this will not do, they will be obliged to print old sermons or to drop the trade entirely. No money and no credit are trifles with the people of America, but the want of news is the greatest calamity that can befall them, Mr. du Ponceau continued in the office of Foreign Affairs until the close of the of Foreign Affairs until the close of the war of the Revolution, when he settled

1760, of an ancient and noble family. At his Southern campaign. His help as works, he devoted himself to philology, can be strail question but that he was the early age of six years his love and talent for languages began to develop.

As there were some English families live your Steuben when, in the winter of 1778maire de la constitution des Etats Unis ing in his native town, he learned English rapidly. At the college of the Benedictine monks of St. Jean d'Angely, the discipline for the American army, and so teme grammatical des langages de quelteacher's self.—Sir Oliver Lodge.

The property of the pursued his English studies, he part in the task assigned to him that the (1881), which won for him a medical from (1883), which won for him a medical from

"Josephine Bartlett" Perry; Edouard Colonne, French composer; B. Ducoudray, French composer; Charles Gilibert, tenor; F. X. Habert, German com-poser; Carl Reinecke, conductor; S. S. Sanford, pro-fessor at Yale; Mme. Delphine Ugalde, soprano; Mme. Pauline Viardot, soprano; Carl Zerrahn, con-ductor. AERONAUTICS-25

MUSIC-10.

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AERONAUTICS—25.

(In the order of the accidents,)

Delagrange, January 4, Bordeaux; Le Blon, April

2, San Sebastain; Michelin, May 13, Lyons; Zogily,
June 2, Budapest; Speyer, June 17, San Francisco;

Bobl, June 18, Stettin; Wachter, July 3, Rheims;
D. Kinet, July 10, Brussels; C. S. Rolls, July 12,
Bournemonth; Erbaloeh and four others, July 15; N.
Kinet, August 3, Brussels; Vivaldi, August 5,
Rome; Van Maasdyk, August 2, Arnheim; Poillot,
September 3, Chartres; Chavez, September 2, Domodassala; Plochman, September 29, Muelhausen;
Haas, October 1, Weil; Machlevitch, October 7, St.
Petersburg; Madiot, October 23, Douai; Blanchard,
October 26, Issy; Johnstone, November 17, Denver.